

## **NEWS RELEASE**

BGRD Beaumont Family of Schools Transitions
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## Beaumont Family of Public Schools Boundary and Grade Transitions Released to Achieve Configuration Goals

January 18, 2017 – The Beaumont Family of Public Schools Configuration Review Committee released its transition plan to the Board of Education at the January Board Meeting. The transition plan identified how in a three-year term the goals of the December 14, 2016, Board of Education approved, <u>Beaumont Family of Public Schools Boundary and Grade Configurations</u> will be fulfilled.

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During the Board Meeting, both the Board of Education and Review Committee expressed appreciation for the public's involvement in this process. The general public provided valuable feedback during public engagement nights, as well through public submissions via Google Form, to the Review Committee and the Board of Education. This feedback was heavily relied on, reviewed and utilized while preparing the transitions. The transitions were designed with the intentions of helping to alleviate some of the public concerns expressed regarding the potential changes, where possible and viable to do so.

Families are now asked to fully review the approved configuration and transition plans. If they have any questions about where their child will be attending next year, they may contact their school directly or alternatively, they can contact Norm Dargis, Division Principal for Black Gold Regional Division No. 18.

School of Choice requests may be submitted after March 1, 2017. Decisions will be made at a later date to ensure sufficient resources and facilities are taken into account. Principals will communicate with the families making the request their respective communication timelines surrounding the School of Choice decision for their schools.

Parents/Guardians considering such a request should familiarize themselves with the following BGRD Administrative Procedures:

- Administrative Procedure 305: School Attendance Boundaries;
- Administrative Procedure 561: Student Transportation Boundaries and Fees.

Both the Configuration Review Committee and the Board of Education appreciate the patience, understanding and involvement the Beaumont community has displayed during this process which has encouraged the most viable educational decisions possible. Programming and enrolments will continue to be monitored and reviewed as needed to ensure quality programming for all BGRD students.

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**Attachments:** January 2017 – Beaumont Family of Public Schools Transition Plans to Achieve Configuration Goals

## About Black Gold Regional Division No. 18

Black Gold Regional Division No. 18 (BGRD) is located directly south of Edmonton, extending from the New Sarepta area in the east, to the Warburg area in the west. It includes the municipalities of Beaumont, Devon, Thorsby, Calmar, the City of Leduc and Leduc County. With approximately 11,400 students enrolled in 31 schools, BGRD teachers and support staff are committed to "inspiring success" in all students. For more information on Black Gold Regional Division No. 18 and our schools visit: <a href="https://www.blackgold.ca">www.blackgold.ca</a>.

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